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1. IN DISCUSSION WITH BRAZIL REPRESENTATIVE NOVEMBER 18, HE ADVISED USREP THAT BRAZIL WILL FILE A STRONG CANDIDATE FOR SYG. HE SAID HE COULD NOT REVEAL IDENTITY BUT SELECTION HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE.

2. IN REVIEWING THE PRESIDENCY ELECTION, PEREZ SIAD HE WAS
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"FED-UP" WITH A THE SELECTION OF "CROWN PRINCES" AND

"HAD ENOUGH OF THE BLACKS" WHO CONTINUE TO EXPECT THINGS JUST BECAUSE THEY ARE BLACK. FYI: NIGERIA LEADER OF BLACK CAUCUS HAD TOLD USREP EARLIER IN DAY THAT THEY WERE "FED-UP" WITH LATIN AMERICANS WHO ALWAYS USE THEM BUT AFRICANS NEVER GET ANYTHING FOR IT. END FYI.

3. USREP HAS FELT FOR SOME TIME THAT BINAGHI HAS HAD SELECTED HIS MAN FOR SYG. IT IS NOT HIS STYLE TO STOP AT TURNING OVER THE ORGANIZATION TO A NEW PRESIDENT. AT FIRST HE FAVORED BARKAH/INDONESIA BECAUSE BINAGHI SAYS SYG "MUST BE AN ENGINEER." HOWEVER, RECENTLY HE HAS TURNED AGAINST BARKAH LEAVING IMPRESSION HE DEFINITELY HAS SOMEONE ELSE IN MIND. FOR THE PAST COUPLE OF YEARS BINAGHI HAS BEEN PREPARING TO LEAVE BY ARRANGING KOTAITE SUCCESSION AND BY TAKING CARE OF HIS REGION, LATIN AMERICA. IT IS NOT INCONCEIVABLE THAT BRAZIL WHO RESENTS BINAGHI'S CROWN PRINCE SELECTION PROCEDURES MAY IN FACT BE THE CROWN PRINCE CANDIDATE FOR SYG. HARPER. INGERSOLL

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